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SUBJ: TOGOLESE CONTRIBUTION TO SHABA FORCE: TOGO READY TO GO

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B. USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GER DTG 051817Z JUN 78
C STATE 141301
D USCINCEUR VAINGEN GERMANY ECJ3-BS DTG 061156Z JUN 78

1. EMBASSY INFORMED BY LTC KONGO THAT AT FRENCH REQUEST
TOGO'S CONTINGENT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO ONE COMPANY TO SIMPLIFY
LOGISTICS PROBLEMS. ALSO AT FRENCH SUGGESTION TOGO WILL
CONTRIBUTE ITS OWN TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT. AS REVISED,
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TOGOLESE FORCE WILL TOTAL 149 MEN. FORCE WILL BE TAKING
14 UNIMOG PERSONNEL CARRIERS AND ONE JEEP. TOTAL
WEIGHT IS CALCULATED AT 70 METRIC TONS. VOLUME IS
CALCULATED AT 445 CUBIC METERS. THESE FORCES READY TO GO.

2. PARA 1 RESPONDES TO REF A.

3. OIL COMPANY OFFICIAL SAYS THAT AIRFIELD STOCKS OF JET FUEL OF 260,000 LITRES ARE NEVER DRAWN DOWN BY REGULAR COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC BY MORE THAN 40,000 LITRES AT ANYTIME. ON THREE HOURS NOTICE, OIL COMPANY CAN ASSURE FULL 260,000 LITRES ARE AVAILABLE.

4. PARA 3 RESPONDS TO REF B

5. IN VIEW OF REDUCTION IN SIZE OF FORCE, LTC KONGO WILL NO LONGER BE COMMANDER. FORCE WILL BE COMMENDED BY CPT BANDEIRA. TOGOLESE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT PICK-UP NOW PLANNED FOR JUNE 9 OF 10.

6. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE AS MUCH ADVANCE WARNING OF AIRCRAFT ARRIVAL AS POSSIBLE. SPECIFICALLY REQUEST ETA AND STRENGTHS OF ALCE IF ONE IS TO BE SENT TO LOME.

7. USCINCEUR VAHIHINGNEN DTG 061156Z JUN 78 (JUST RECEIVED) SHOCKING EXAMPLE LACK OF COORDINATION. SUGGESTION IN THIS MESSAGE THAT AIRLIFT MIGHT BE DELAYED FOR LACK OF POLITICAL CLEARANCE FOR US AIRLIFT INCREDIBLE. RECOMMEND CINCEUR REVIEW TRAFFIC: EYADEMA MADE EXPLICIT REQUEST TO THEN CHARGE YOUNG AS REPORTED LOME 1793 (NOTAL) DTG 030740Z JUN 78.

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